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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 7, 2004, please consider the following. The commissioner is authorized to charge any fees which may be due to Deposit Account 10-0435, but not to include any payment of issue fees.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.